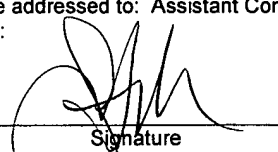





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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
OF OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 16, 1999**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 16, 1999, for which the date for response is September 16, 1999, by virtue of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, and payment of appropriate fees.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two months, to and including September 16, 1999 in which to respond to the dated April 16, 1999. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$190.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$190.00) for a two-month extension of time. If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should